

TO VOTE ON A NEW CITY CHARTER ON JUNE 25

Copies of the new city charter to be voted on June 25 are being circulated among the voters. The present charter does not comply with many recently enacted state laws or the present city boundaries, and it is necessary to so amend to make the actions of the city officials legal.

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G. F. BERMELE SELLS DRUG STORE TO HILL OF IDAHO

G. F. Bermele has sold his interest in the Bermele Drug Co. to J. H. Hill, of Cambridge, who will take possession at once. Mr. Hill has stores at Cambridge and Homedale and will give his personal attention to the Cambridge store for the present, but later will move here. Mr. and Mrs. Bermele will move to Chicago, where Mr. Bermele's parents reside. Mr. and Mrs. Bermele have made many friends during the few years they have resided here who will regret to see them go.

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OVER 2,000 ACRES OF CORN PLANTED IN COUNTY

A careful review of the county shows there is over two thousand acres planted to corn this season and many of the growers have entered for the prizes to be given this fall, through the generosity of the Commercial Club.

The machinery men report that they have sold over forty corn cultivators this season, which indicates about that number are raising corn this season for the first time.

Corn has proven a very profitable crop here and in connection with the alfalfa grown here will make this a great dairy and hog section in a short time.

A number of Weiser people will be in Ontario Saturday night, to attend the Saturday night dance, and the double head-r bail game Saturday.

GREATEST MILK FACTORY IN THE WHOLE WORLD

Nearly 10 tons of milk and the equivalent of 1260 pounds of butter in a year constituted the world's record production of the Guernsey cow May Rima, owned by Captain P. B. Cassatt, at the Chesterbrook Farm, at Berwyn, near Philadelphia. For the 365 days the cow's record is 19,673 pounds of milk, the gross earnings of the animal for the year being nearly \$1200.

The work of the cow was supervised under the advanced register regulations of the American Guernsey Cattle Club. Representatives of the dairy division of the United States department of agriculture and of seven of the principal dairy states conducted the tests throughout the year.

Please Pay at Once.

Having sold my drug business and wishing to close all accounts, I am obliged to ask all who are owing me on account to call at the store and settle at once.

G. F. Bermele,
Ontario, Oregon.

As a result of too much radical legislation Portland has not a single manufacturing establishment for 1914.

President Beckworth of the Workmen's Compensation commission says only five to six hundred of three thousand manufacturers have been willing to come under the provision of the act.

In Marion county it is estimated the \$1500 tax exemption would release one-third of the taxpayers from paying anything and put it on the other two-thirds.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

George C. Jones of Portland has been appointed deck officer in the coast geodetic survey.

The proposed new city charter of Monroe is to be adopted or rejected at a special election to be held on Monday, June 15.

The abolition of the state senate, recommended in a report of the legislation committee at the state grange at Monmouth, was adopted in resolution form later.

Five fatal industrial accidents were reported to State Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff last week, along with 67 other accidents of more or less serious nature.

La Grande commercial club offers prizes for the best mile of road built within a radius of eight miles of that city. The club undertakes to keep up a mile of the road known as Gekler Lane.

The Wrangell chamber of commerce has asked Senator Chamberlain's aid in securing a survey of Dry Strait, with a view to getting more adequate accommodation for steamers running to southeastern and western Alaska.

About 100 apple growers met to nominate candidates to serve on the board of directors of the Apple Growers' association to be organized by the amalgamation of all fruit shipping interests in Hood River.

Dean I. Piper of Corvallis, principal, and Roy M. Poole of Hillsboro and John G. Manning of McMinville, alternates, have been nominated for the West Point examination at Vancouver barracks by Representative Hawley.

There were 24 tie votes in the primary nominating election in Lin county last week. One of the ties is between Berry Cummings, of Halsey, and his son, Arlie Cummings, of the same city, for the republican nomination for constable of district No. 3.

Representative Hawley has been informed that his principal for Annapolis, Stanley M. Haight of Medford, and his first alternate, R. W. Metcalf, of Salem, have passed the examinations with credit and now will take the physical tests.

In a race with death half way round the globe, Ensign Herbert Roesch, U. S. N., is rushing across the Pacific in hope of arriving in Pendleton before his father, William Roesch, pioneer brewer of that city, expires. He is expected there by June 5.

With evidence that points to foul play, the body of R. L. Townsend, 28 years old, who disappeared from his home in Hillsboro May 15, was found in the river at Portland with the pockets of his trousers turned inside out and his head bearing bruises that may have been the result of an attack by highwaymen.

P. E. Lewis of Bida, Lane county, who had difficulty in proving up on a claim because there was some timber on it, has had his claim for patent approved. Lewis served three years in the Spanish-American war, which reduced the time of residence on his homestead.

Only twice in 25 years has Umatilla county wool sold for prices equal to those secured by Pilot Rock growers at the public sale held there. This was the first public sealed bid sale held in Oregon this year. More than 500,000 pounds changed hands, every clip offered being sold. The prices received ranged as much as 54 cents in advance of those paid for the same clips last year.

All Oregon was interested to learn of the restoration to entry of over 400,000 acres of land in the Deschutes and Paulina forest reserves, but on analyzing the figures the satisfaction felt over the announcement was greatly tempered by the discovery that most of the land was still held up by reclamation service and other withdrawals.

Extensive preparations are being made for the entertainment of delegates who will attend the eighth annual convention of the Staatsverband von Oregon, the confederation of German-speaking societies of the state, which will be held in Eugene Saturday and Sunday.

One of the largest gatherings ever held by any representative body was that at Independence, when practically every hop grower and buyer in the Willamette valley was present. The meeting was called to order by C. A. McLaughlin, vice president of the Hop Growers' association, who announced that the object of the meeting was to promote protection to themselves against the sentiment in the cause of prohibition.

L. J. Biron, secretary of the sandstone cutters' union of Portland, has issued an appeal that Oregon stone rather than concrete and terra cotta brought from outside the state be used in the construction of the new administration building at the university of Oregon. His plea is based not only upon the desirability of developing an Oregon resource and of giving Oregon workmen employment, but also on the increased dignity and beauty of structure that would result. The statement is in connection with a general campaign to secure the use of Oregon stone.

NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

President Insists on Passing Anti-Trust Legislation at Present Session.

Washington.—President Wilson will be satisfied with nothing less than the passage through both houses of congress, at the present session, of the anti-trust legislation recently agreed on. This was made clear by officials close to the administration. His attitude was made known in answer to suggestions that some leaders at the capital believed it would be sufficient to pass the anti-trust bills in the house and only agree on a time for a vote next session in the senate.

The house of representatives, in an effort to rush through the second of the administration's anti-trust measures, began night sessions this week and the senate is also endeavoring to speed up legislation to insure an adjournment in July.

Congress leaders admitted however, that if the senate undertook to put through anti-trust legislation of a comprehensive nature adjournment could hardly be taken until late in the fall.

Took Indictment to Save Morgan.

A dramatic climax marked the close of the sensational testimony of Chas. S. Mellen, ex-president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, before the interstate commerce commission.

With evidence of deep emotion Mr. Mellen asserted the late J. Pierpont Morgan was cognizant of the Grand Trunk negotiations for which Mr. Mellen himself was criminally indicted for violation of the Sherman anti-trust act, and that he took the indictment that belonged to Morgan, as he believed it would have killed the aged financier to be indicted.

Absolute monopoly of transportation under government regulation and control was suggested by Mr. Mellen as the solution of the American railroad problem.

Majority of 10 for Repeal Predicted.

Democratic leaders in the senate are confident the Panama canal tolls exemption repeal bill and the arbitration amendments will be disposed of this week. Senator Kern, leader of the majority, said a vote would be taken May 28 or shortly afterward, and added that the repeal bill would be passed by a majority of at least 10.

Opponents of repeal are not inclined to doubt that the bill will pass, but the vote on the many amendments offered to modify its meaning will be watched with interest by senators on both sides. The administration is said to center its support on the amendment proposed by Senator Simmons, declaring that the United States waives no right over the Panama canal.

Parcel Post for Selling Truck.

Postmaster Otto Praeger, of Washington, has sent out to the patrons of the Washington office an advertising poster, containing the names of 150 truck farmers, fruit and poultry growers, home fruit and vegetable canners, and producers of smoked hams and bacon, who desire to serve Washington consumers direct by the parcel post.

On the reverse of the poster are illustrations of a parcel post delivery truck and of a basket, in which a Washington consumer has received a sausage from a Pennsylvania farmer during the past winter, together with testimonials from 14 patrons of the Washington office recommending the parcel post for efficiency and economy in the shipment of produce.

Producers from 12 states, including New Jersey and Mississippi, offer to sell their product direct to Washington consumers.

National Capital Brevities.

The senate adopted an amendment to the agricultural appropriation bill proposed by Senator Johnson, appropriating \$100,000 for potato quarantine inspection.

Creation of an aviation section of the army as part of the signal corps, is planned by a bill that has passed the house. The measure has the approval of the war department.

Copy of the proposed peace treaty between the United States and Norway has been received at Washington. Secretary Bryan and the minister of Norway will sign it when the draft has been made.

A bill putting telephone and telegraph companies and pipelines under the jurisdiction of the interstate commerce commission was introduced in the house by Representative Reilly, of Wisconsin.

President Wilson appointed a committee to arrange for the formal opening of the Panama canal June 1. Its members are Colonel Goethals, chairman; Richard Metcalf, vice chairman; Colonel Harry Hodges, Surgeon General Gorgas, Colonel Rousseau and Colonel William Sibert.

What \$13.50 Means

To the Man Who is in the Habit of Paying

\$15 to \$20 for His Suits

In the first place Alexander will not sell a poor suit of clothes at any price. In the second place we will not allow anything but pure wool clothing come in or leave our store, no matter how cheap anything else can be bought for. These two arguments stand all the time---it's a double protection from which we never deviate.

Alexander's \$13.50 Suits are not the kind of Suits that you ordinarily expect to get at that price

They are better. They cost a great deal more to make. They are sold at a minimized margin of profit. They are the model of sample suits bearing the *High Art Label*, meaning hand tailoring

They are equal and better than most \$20 suits you can buy elsewhere in Ontario

It is your right to have this surprising statement proved, and if your income is modest you've got to have it proved. And we'll prove it in detail if you will give us the chance.

Another telling item: We do not sell these \$13.50 suits in a darkened room

Our high ceiling room is penetrated in every nook and corner by natural daylight and sunlight. We are not ashamed of these suits--we are proud of them. We believe that every time we sell one of these High Art suits at \$13.50 we make a friend for this store, and inasmuch as we are not living merely for today, we consider this wise business logic. Don't you?

ALEXANDER

One Price Clothier

Ontario, Oregon

HARNEY COUNTY NEWS

The News is informed by I. H. Holland that a majority of the directors of the Pacific Live Stock Co. at San Francisco refused to accept or even consider the resignation of Mr. John Gilchrist and that he received a wire from the latter stating he was coming back in his old capacity. This move on the part of the company was one of the wisest made by them in their own interest as there will be found a vast difference between a velvet carpet ranch superintendent and one that hits the grit.

A NEW CROP FOR OREGONIANS

One of the newest and most interesting crops raised in Oregon is the mint from which peppermint oil is extracted. In other sections of the country where this oil is an established product the oil sells at \$3 to \$4 per pound. Experiments conducted in the vicinity of West Stayton, Marion county, indicates that this crop, when grown under irrigation, will yield at the rate of \$120 per acre. It is expected that a plant for distilling the oil will be erected at West Stayton and a profitable business in the shipping of plants to other sections built up.

Bargains in Millinery—We are now offering our complete line of ladies', misses' and childrens' trimmed hats at greatly reduced prices. Mrs. M. C. Letson.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ONTARIO HAS INSTALLED A NUMBER OF SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES. EACH BOX HAS A DOUBLE LOCK AND THEY AFFORD A SAFE FIRE-PROOF PLACE TO KEEP DEEDS, LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES AND OTHER VALUABLES. THE RENTAL RATE ON THE BOXES IS VERY REASONABLE.

Horse pasture for rent. On fish hatchery island. Inquire of S. S. Brewer. 18 1mo

For new alfalfa hay see J. J. Diers, 2 1-2 miles south of Ontario. Either in field or delivered.

Special prices on trunks and suitcases for 30 days. Kroessin Hardware Co.

A case of triplets. June Weddings; presents Dad Time will furnish number one, number two we pass; number three, a piece or set of good china or glass ware which we can furnish. Come and see it. The Variety Store, Ontario, Oregon.

It would certainly be tough if a parcel post egg shipment were sent to the Dead letter office.

A Wise Bird

A Plymouth Rock hen on display at the poultry show and valued at \$200 was worth twice that sum as the result of swallowing a \$200 ruby which dropped from a setting in a ring worn by Charles V. Keeler, one of the judges. The hen belongs to L. C. Danville, Mountfort, Wis. While Keeler was about to examine the bird the gem dropped and quick as a flash the hen gulped it down. Keeler offered Danville \$200 for the bird and subsequently increased the bid to \$400. That bird, roasted and served with a bottle of golden grain belt beers, would be some dinner, advertisement.

Drayage orders taken at Moore Hotel John Landingham, residence Phone 424

Bay Bill will make the season of 1914 one half mile south of Cairo. Bill is 1-2 Black Purcherou, 1-2 German Coach, Sure foal getter. Terms \$6 per season. Holden Clement. 22p

Price don't always indicate real value. Our effort is to get that which will give best value for your money. A medium between high and low priced goods appears to best fill the bill. The Variety Store, Ontario, Oregon.

Oregon's strict eugenic law has increased fees received in Clarke county, Vancouver, Wash., to \$10,039 for 1913.